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C O N F I D E N T I A L PARAMARIBO 0696

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SUBJ: CHINESE ACROBATS COMING

1. ACCORDING TO AN AUGUST 3 PRESS REPORT, A SIXTY-MAN ACROBATIC TEAM FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA WILL VISIT SURINAM IN OCTOBER. ARTICLE CLAIMS GOS WILL EXTEND INVITATION, AFTER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED, IN THE INTEREST OF STRENGTHENING THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF CHINA AND SURINAM. ARRANGEMENTS WILL REPORTEDLY BE HANDLED BY THE KONG NGIE TONG SONG CULTURAL ASSOCIATION (OLDEST AND LARGEST ASSOCIATION OF CHINESE RESIDENTS IN SURINAM, LONG ASSOCIATED WITH GRC BUT PRO-PRC SINCE ABOUT THREE HEARS AGO), AND PROFITS FROM THE PERFORMANCES ARE TO BE DONATED BY THE TEAM, WHICH WILL PAY ITS OWN TRAVEL EXPENSES, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS IN SURINAM.

2. ACTING FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR HENAR TOLD EMBOFF SAME DAY THAT A LOCAL CHINESE GROUP, WHOSE NAME HE COULD NOT RECALL, HAD ASKED MINISTRY SOME TIME AGO WHETHER GOS WOULD OBJECT TO VISIT OF ACROBATS. MINISTRY RAISED NO OBJECTION, ACCORDING TO HENAR, WHO SAID VISIT SHOULD BE VIEWED AS PRIVATE EXCHANGE, NEITHER INITIATED BY PRC GOVERNMENT NOR SPONSORED BY
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